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LOCAL PRESS REPORTED SEPTEMBER 13 THAT PANAMANIAN PRESIDENT, GENERAL TORRIJOS, VISITED AREA OF SPAIN NEAR GIBRALTAR SEPT-EMBER 12 AND QUOTED HIM AS SAYING THAT SPAIN AND PANAMA, BESIDES BEING UNITED BY HISTORICAL TIES, WERE ALSO SUFFERING FROM SAME SITUATION OF INJUSTICE. HE DESCRIBED GIBRALTAR AND PANAMA CANAL AS "OUTPOSTS OF INTERNATIONAL COLONIALISM" CHARACTERIZED BY SOLDIERS SPEAKING THE SAME LANGUAGE AND THE SAME DEGREE OF INTRANSIGENCE, ADDING THAT HE COULD SEE WHY UK ABSTAINED IN UNSC VOTE ON PANAMA CONDEMNING U.S. PRESS REPORTED THAT TORRIJOS WAS TOLD ABOUT SPANISH POLICY TO RECOVER GIBRALTAR DURING "PRIVATE VISIT" IN WHICH HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SPANISH MILITARY GOVERNOR IN GIBRALTAR AREA.
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